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Sir:

For:

This communication is in response to the restriction requirement dated May 8, 2001.

REMARKS

Provisional election with traverse:

Applicants elect with traverse **Group I** (claims 1-16), drawn to a DNA sequence encoding an HPPD enzyme, an expression cassette comprising said DNA sequence, a method of transforming plants comprising said expression cassette and a transformed plant comprising said expression cassette having elevated vitamin E content.

Argument: